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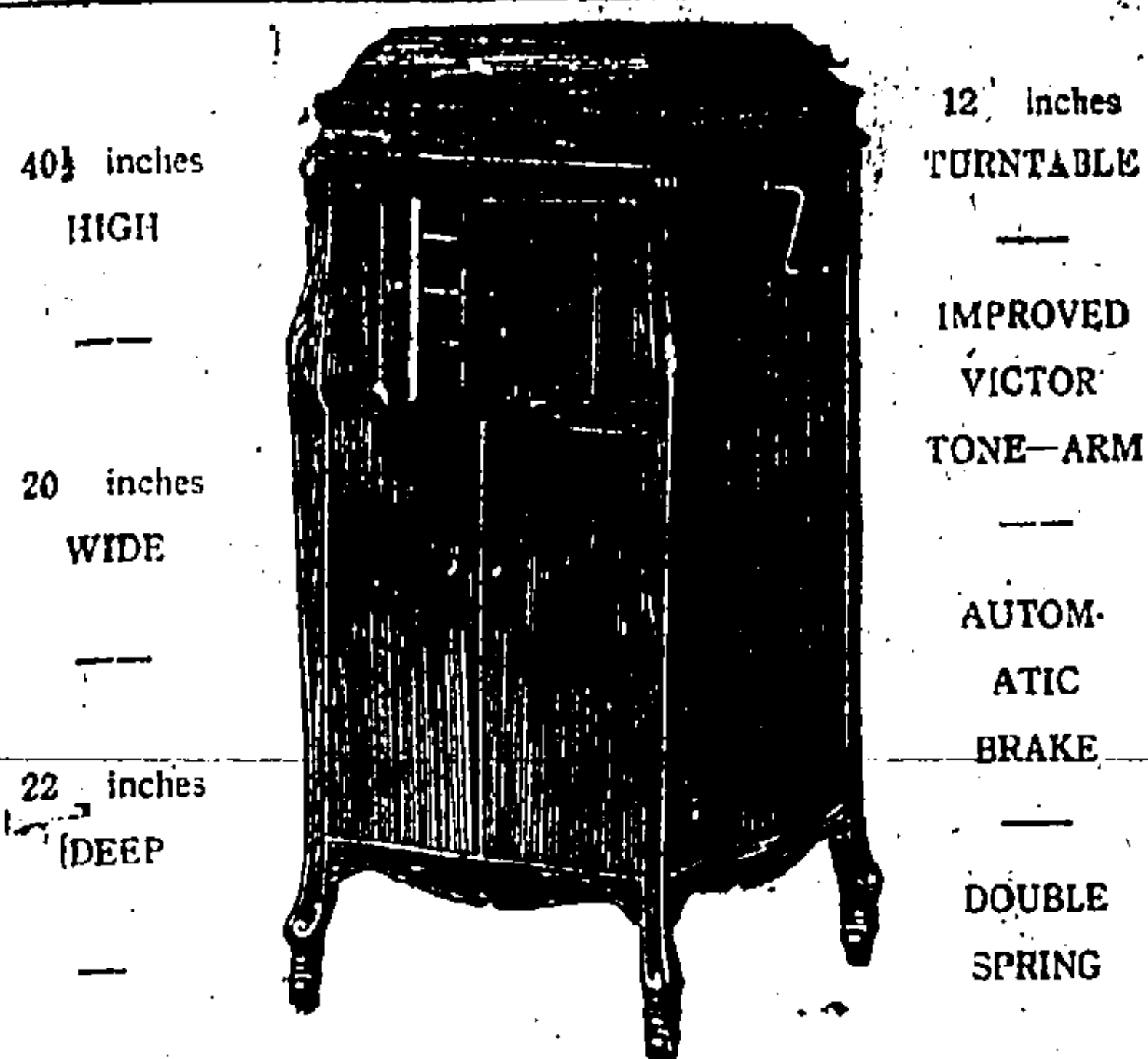
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REPARATIONS DISCUSSIONS.

GERMAN PREMIER'S SPEECH.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

BERLIN, August 24.

Herr Stresemann, the Premier, in a speech, declared that the Government stood by its predecessor's reparations offer.

LATER.

The speech was in the nature of a reply to the French note. Herr Stresemann declared for the liberation of German soil, the maintenance of their sovereignty and the consolidation of their position it was not too great a sacrifice to offer part of the German economic system as a productive pledge.

POSSIBLE PLEDGES.

BERLIN, August 24.

Herr Stresemann dwelt on the necessity for normal conditions in international commerce. He said that such a possibility was opened up by the last British publication. M. Poincaré had also indicated a practical solution by claiming positive pledges in the form of the German railways and customs control of the German economic system, but Germany had refused to accept even a temporary pledging of the Ruhr or a transfer of the railways and collieries as France had suggested.

Herr Stresemann accepted with satisfaction M. Poincaré's declaration that he was not pursuing political aims nor had any ideas of annexation, but the declaration was incompatible with his proposed solutions because these would actually mean special treatment economically and politically in the Rhine and Ruhr.

Herr Stresemann concluded that it would be political dilletantism if Germany based her policy on division among the Allies. On the contrary he hoped a way would be found to satisfy the just claims of the Allies simultaneously, thus assuring Germany the possibility of future development.

STILL OPEN.

NEW YORK, August 24.

Commenting on the French note the majority of the morning papers consider the door is still open for further conferences between M. Poincaré and Mr. Baldwin.

HOME CRICKET.

YORKSHIRE AND SURREY DRAW.

FIRST INNINGS VICTORIES.

LONDON, August 24.

At the Oval to-day, the match between Yorkshire and Surrey was drawn. In their first innings, Surrey scored 360 runs, the highest total any County has scored against Yorkshire this season.

At Hastings, Lancashire beat Sussex on the first innings. Sussex scored 129, Parkin taking 5 wickets for 42 and Tyldesley 5 for 61.

At Southampton, Gloucestershire defeated Hampshire on the first innings. The latter scored 147, Hammond taking 8 wickets for 59.

At Birmingham Middlesex defeated Warwickshire by an innings and two runs. Middlesex scored 353, to which Hendren contributed 90 and Allen 70.

At Derby, the home eleven vanquished Leicestershire on the first innings. The latter scored 139, Horsley taking 6 wickets for 49.

On the Taunton ground, Somerset defeated Essex on the first innings. Essex scored 135, Bridges capturing six victims for 50. Somerset scored 189, of which McBryan obtained 101. Hipken took 5 Somerset wickets for 57.

WRANGEL ISLAND.

RUSSIAN PROTESTS.

MOSCOW, August 24.

The Russian Foreign Office has handed Mr. Peteres, acting head of the British Trade Delegation, a third note as the notes of May 24 and May 28 had not been answered, protesting against "the violation of Russian territory" by the explorer Stefansson at Wrangel Island where he has raised the British flag on behalf of Canada.

[Wrangel Island, situated south-east of Alaska, is named after a famous Russian explorer of the polar regions. There is a settlement which is the port for fur-traders and the mining centre. The population (including native Indians) is about 900.]

AFTER MANY MOONS.

LONDON, August 24.

Steps are being taken immediately to evacuate the British forces at Constantinople. Simultaneously the Atlantic Fleet and warships at present in the Mediterranean are returning to England.

IRELAND.

ELECTION PROMISES UTOPIANISM!

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

LONDON, August 24.

The Republican programme issued on the eve of the election in Ireland is a catalogue of fair promises including justice and brotherhood, abolition of murder gangs, the safeguarding of life, liberty, and property and religious and political toleration, wiping out all internal dissension and bitterness and ending unemployment by remunerative works, the development of industries, the provision of workers' houses, the restoration of the Irish language to its rightful place. Finally there is an offer to England of peace based on the sovereignty and the integrity of the Irish nation, the offer to Northeast Ulster of peace based on such a measure of local autonomy as is consistent with the unity of Ireland.

AMERICA'S EXAMPLE.

LYOYD GEORGE ALERT.

NEW YORK, August 24.

Sir Alfred Cope has arrived to make arrangements for Mr. Lloyd George's visit.

LATER.

It is denied that Mr. Lloyd George's visit is connected with politics. Mr. Lloyd George will probably deliver only one or two speeches. None of these will be for money.

It is declared that Mr. Lloyd George wishes to go to America because the Americans are teaching the world how to do things.

The ex-Premier will also visit Canada.

AMERICAN POLITICS.

PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE'S VIEWS.

NEW YORK, August 24.

Mr. Underwood, the probable democratic candidate for the presidency in a speech urged America to take a hand to bring order out of European chaos. He opined that present tariffs were obstructing the flow of European trade to America and declared protection was not further necessary to the development of American industry.

LADIES' TENNIS.

AMERICA V. BRITAIN.

BROOKLINE, August 24.

In the Women's Invitation Lawn Tennis Tournament, which is largely America versus Britain, Mrs. Mallory beat Mrs. Beamish in the semi-final by 6-4, 6-0. She meets Miss McKane in the final to-morrow.

[Brookline is a suburb of Boston, on the Charles River, which separates it from Cambridge and Boston.]

GOLD FROM THE SEA.

"LAURENTIC'S" MILLIONS.

LONDON, August 24.

Salvage operations have practically been completed on the "Laurentic" which was sunk off Lough Swilly in 1917.

Some £7,000,000 worth of bullion has been recovered. Only a few bars of gold remain.

STRIKE.

UNION PRECAUTIONS.

ATLANTIC CITY, August 24.

The miners' union of the anthracite district of Pennsylvania has authorised four thousand unionists to remain at work to operate the pumps to prevent flooding when strike becomes effective on September 1st.

MEXICO.

U.S.A. DECISION.

WASHINGTON, August 24.

It is stated at the White House that the Government is not prepared formally to announce the resumption of diplomatic relations with Mexico until towards the end of September.

RUNNING.

NEW RECORD.

STOCKHOLM, August 24.

The Finnish athlete Nurmi established two running records covering a mile in four minutes, ten two-fifths seconds and three miles in fourteen minutes, eleven one-fifth seconds.

SPAIN'S LITTLE WAR.

MADRID, August 24.

Official statement issued says three hundred troops remaining at Malaga are embarking; the majority voluntarily reported at headquarters.

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A Night Swimming Fete will be held at the Victoria Recreation Club on SATURDAY, the 25th inst., commencing at 9 o'clock. Band in attendance.
Admission: Non-Members \$1.00, Members, Sailors and Soldiers 50 cents. Reserved Seats \$1.50.

MEMORIAL SERVICE.

ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL.

A Memorial Service will be held on FRIDAY, August 31, at 5.30 p.m. in memory of those who lost their lives in the recent typhoon.
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- In this Ordinance,
 - "Cash" means any coins or notes current in the Colony.
 - "Sale" includes any transaction in which intoxicating liquor is supplied for any consideration whatsoever, direct or indirect.
- (1) Subject to the provisions of sub-section (2) of this section, no person shall sell any intoxicating liquor for consumption on or at any licensed premises except for cash.
 - Sub-section (1) of this section shall not apply to the following:—
 - any sale by the proprietor of an hotel to a person residing at the hotel;
 - any sale by the proprietor of an hotel of liquor to be consumed in the dining room of the hotel at one of the regular meals of the hotel or of liquor to be consumed in conjunction with any other bona fide meal for which a charge of at least thirty cents can be reasonably made;
 - any sale in accordance with the conditions of his licence by the holder of a restaurant's licence.
- Where any intoxicating liquor is sold by a servant or employee in contravention of section 3 of this Ordinance the employer, whether a natural person or a body corporate, shall be deemed to be guilty of an offence against this Ordinance unless he proves affirmatively that the sale was against his express orders and without his consent or connivance.
- Every person to whom any liquor is, to the knowledge of such person, supplied in contravention of this Ordinance shall also be guilty of an offence against this Ordinance.

The co-operation of our Patrons, with a view to assisting us to carry out the provisions of the Liquors Ordinance, is respectfully requested.

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WALTER J. HAWKER,
SECRETARY.

Hongkong, 15th August, 1923.

MAIL WEEK NEWS.

ITEMS FROM FAR AND NEAR.

The nearest approach to the absolute zero of temperature has been recently achieved by Prof. H. Kamerlingh Onnes, of the University of Leyden, Holland, who reached the record of 272.18 degrees below zero Centigrade, in an unsuccessful attempt to solidify liquid helium.

Thirty-two bodies have been recovered from the River Rio Grande, near Laredo (Mexico). They are believed to be those of the Italians and others who were murdered and robbed on May 5 while attempting to enter the United States clandestinely.

Lord Robert Cecil, in relating his experiences on his recent visit to America to the English-Speaking Union said that America doubted whether European nations really intended to keep the peace. He hoped that ere it was too late Britain and America might join forces to erect a barrier against war.

Opening the case against two men and a woman, all of independent means, charged, on remand with the unlawful possession of drugs, Mr. Muskett said defendants "were clearly saturated with drugs, and in a hopeless state of moral and physical decay." Accused were again reminded, bail being refused.

A Worcester, Mass., telegram announces that Professor Arthur Gordon Webster, the well-known physicist, shot himself and died in his laboratory while his class was waiting for the afternoon lesson. Deceased had lately been depressed, as he believed his research work had been a failure.

Giving evidence before the Domestic Service Inquiry Committee, Mrs. R. Davies, J. P., of Aberdare, caused some surprise by stating that the supply of domestic servants in Aberdare was greater than the demand. Another witness spoke of registry offices where they had a "black list" of mistresses to whom they would not send maids.

One of the most far-reaching results of the International Police Conference is the establishment of a new finger-print system, introduced by the Denmark representative, whereby a scheme of numerals for every line of the finger was agreed upon, which could be quickly referred to in telephonic and telegraphic communications.

Summer coal prices, show reductions varying from 25 to 55 per ton, according to quality.

The Prince of Wales on his forthcoming tour of his property in the West, will visit Shepton Mallet. It is understood that the Prince will stay three days at Longleat with the Marquis of Bath, whose daughter, Lady Mary Thynne, was a bridesmaid at both the Royal weddings.

The London Gazette states that the King has directed that the appointment of John Morgan Knight, formerly Lieutenant, Royal Air Force, to be a member of the Military Division of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire, dated the 3rd June 1910, shall be cancelled in consequence of a conviction.

The King and Queen opened their Aldershot week with a review of troops on Laffan's Plain, which proved to be an imposing spectacle. The troops were drawn up in line formation, and numbered over 8,000, of whom 580 were officers. The parade also included over 2,300 horses and mules and 112 guns.

The inclement weather experienced recently has had a serious effect on hill lambs, and the mortality was only kept low through the excellent start given to the young stock. From practically every district reports have come indicating that there is a scarcity of twins. In the Border district the crop will be below average.

The directors of the North of Scotland and Town and County Bank (Ltd.), have appointed Mr. Stephen, at present agent at Elgin—151 High Street branch—to be joint local manager with Mr. J. Milne Henderson at the Edinburgh branch. Mr. Stephen went to Elgin from the head office in 1899, and for a number of years was associated in the agency with the late Mr. H. M. S. Mackay, Vice-Chancellor of the county, becoming sole agent on the death of Mr. Mackay in 1920.

Dr. Colvin, Glasgow, President of the Central Council, at the Catholic Young Men's Conference in Leeds said it was evident that the men, especially the young men, of Great Britain had gone sport mad. They talked about nothing but sport, morning, noon, and night. By all means give our young men plenty of healthy and innocent amusements, but at the same time they should try to get them to take an interest in public questions in politics, in social problems, and any intellectual work.

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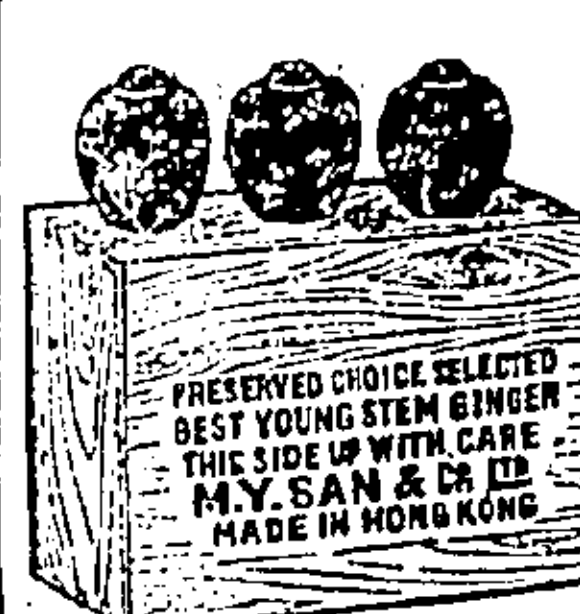
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HONGKONG, SATURDAY, AUG. 25, 1923.

SATURDAY TO MONDAY.

"So here hath been dawning
another blue day." It is not so
difficult to say that about this
Saturday in August has it been
about other Saturdays. It is
difficult perhaps to imagine the
dour looking Carlyle giving
utterance to such youthful lines,
full of the joy of life. But
there they are and they prove that
Carlyle could carol with the best of
us; could feel the joy of freedom,
particularly that freedom which
unslaves us for a time from the
tasks we have been at. Down goes
the pen, the ledgers are put away;
buyers and sellers cease their bar-
gaining; brokers become quoteless,
for silver is neither up nor down—
there is no such commodity until
Monday morning breaks with its
often-times riotous Reuter reminder
that our infinitesimal spot is a mere
dot on the earth's crust, and we of
perhaps not very much account after
all in the scheme of things. Type-
writers cease from clicking and the
"Dear Sirs" are at rest. The busy
fingers arrange the hair with deft
touches, flick a modicum of powder
in the right place, give the right
set to the blouse—and its "cheerio."
—until Monday. Plus fours flaunt
their bagginess perhaps—it depends
upon the weather, or the stainless
flannels of blameless bachelor
breaks botokons bids for bowls, or
tennis, or sea. Mayhap its shorts
as denoting a tramp. Let us be
quite clear; we mean, a walk. After

all it may be none of these things.
It is perhaps the garb of a quiet
time; suitable to a pipe, a book and
all that which will be paradise now.
What's Claxton at? Those ad-
jectival signals up again? Depression
in the North Sea or German Ocean?
Moving rapidly, 120 miles away.
Well massed. If it comes it comes.
Meanwhile on with the programme.
A Holiday is a holiday and now and
then is relished by the wisest men.
Who invented Saturday and Sun-
day? or the respites which they
signify? Lubbock, he should be
canonised and called St. Lubbock,
got us most if not all of our Bank
Holidays. Commonsense probably
dictated the Saturdays and the
Sundays. Brokers invented the
Wednesdays for themselves. Com-
monsense perhaps. Think of an
existence where the grind is contin-
ual.

"What is this life if, full of care,
We have no time to stand and
stare."

What is it indeed? For a brief
span then we stand and stare. We
relax from the struggle of life to
gain refreshment in our own way
for its continuance when Sunday
shall have departed. We write
home—it seems to get more difficult
each week, and the pen is hard to
find and heavy to hold and there is
nothing to write about unless it be
a Typhoon in which case a news-
paper will suffice. Next week
will do. We've got to get the 7.30
Ferry; or meet Jim at the usual
corner. Hope to goodness it won't
rain. Sleek of these typhoons. In
any case let us sing:—

Of all the days that in the week
We dearly love but one day:
And that's the day that comes
betwixt.
A Saturday and Monday.

The Phil.

"Music" Shelley says "The
vibrates in the memory." The
quotation, along with others, in-
cluding Shakespeare's "The man
that hath not music in his soul"
comes to mind at the news that the
Hongkong Philharmonic Society
with exemplary courage is launching
out on another year's activities and
seeking the whole-hearted assistance
not only of those who sing and of
those who play, but of that greater
constituency the members of which
are "interested" or who "like" the
good things in art and music, in
books and pictures. This little note
then is an open piece of propaganda
not merely in the interests of The
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honourable traditions. It seeks to
maintain them; to band together
those who have been blessed with
the art of musical expression either
in voice or through the varied in-
struments that man has evolved
down the years. To collect such in
one body, to mould it to the design
of a fixed programme of modern
and ancient works, and to present it
for the delectation of the many.
A double purpose is thus achieved.
Those who sing and those who play
become organised and united,
while a greater body has the oppor-
tunity afforded it of appraising not
merely the efforts of those who have
spent much time and thought in
their work, but of listening to
"such stuff as dreams are made of."
The gain is beyond mere words to
assess and beyond price. The Phil.,
it needs to be again stated does not
confine its membership to singers
and players, but to the ordinary
person. It is not crowd except so far
as it believes in the best in
music; it is not megal and therefore
not prejudicial. It has a place for
the soloist the excellent and the
listener. Its appeal is wide. It
should not fall on deaf ears.

£100,000

The news which Reuter cabled
out a day ago that two of Sir Joshua
Reynolds' paintings have brought
the record price of £100,000 is
especially interesting when one re-
calls the famous opinion of that
singular character, General Blake-
ney, as recorded by Panney Burney
in his diary. On November 3, 1779,
at a public ball, the General deliv-
ered himself of a striking address on
Art and artists, with special refer-
ence to Sir Joshua Reynolds. (Says
Miss Burney) as if he had been upon
a level with a carpenter or farrier.
"Did you ever," said Mrs. Thrale,
"see his Nativity?" "No, madam,
but I know his pictures very well:
I knew him many years ago in
Minorea; he drew my picture there,
and then he knew how to take a
moderate price; but now, I vow,
madam, 'tis scandalous—scandalous
indeed! to pay a fellow here 70
guineas for scratching out a head."
"Sir," cried Dr. Delap, "you must
not run down Sir Joshua Reynolds,
because he is Miss Burney's friend."
"Sir," answered he, "I don't want
to run the man down; I like him well
enough in his proper place; he is as
decent as any man of that sort I
ever knew; but for all that, sir, his
prices are shameful. Why, he
would not (looking at the poor
doctor with an enraged contempt)
he would not do your head under
70 guineas." "Well," said Mrs.
Thrale, "he had one portrait at the
last exhibition, that I think hardly
could be paid enough for; it was
of a Mr. Stuart; I had never done
admiring it." "What stuff is this,
madam!" cried the General, "how
can two or three dubs of paint ever
be worth such a sum as that?" "Sir,"
said Mr. Selwyn (always willing to
draw him out), "you know not how
much he is improved since you knew
him in Minorea; he is now the finest
painter, perhaps, in the world."
"Pho, pho, sir," cried he, "how can
you talk so? You Mr. Selwyn, who
have seen so many capital pictures
abroad?" "Come, come, sir," said
the ever odd Dr. Delap, "you must
not go on undervaluing him, for I
tell you, he is a friend of Miss
Burney's." "Sir," said the General,
"I tell you again I have no objection
to the man; I have dined in his
company two or three times; a very
decent man he is, fit to keep com-
pany with gentlemen; but, madam,
what are all you modern dabblers
put together to an ancient?
Nothing!—a set of—not a Rubens
among them! I vow, madam, not
a Rubens among them!" One
pondered what the gallant General
would say now. After all £100,000
is a big price, even for American to
pay.

Today's Poem.
(Country School-Room.)
"Turn to page ten in your Arith-
metics."
Rustle of yellow pages like a snake
Among old leaves. The small boy
tries to make
His mind go through its jumbled
bag of tricks.
But how can he lay hands on eight
times six
When mountains fill the window
and a luke
Nudges his dreams, when autumn
and the ache
Of colour, noon and numbers meet
and mix?

Puzzled; he nicks the tree-tops, but
the sun
Covers his desk with blots and yel-
low scrawls.
A woodchuck mocks him.
The walls
Dissolve. Vague thoughts bemuse
him, one by one,
As numberless and nameless as their
chills.
—LOUIS UNDERMEYER.

SHADOWS BEFORE.

Coming Events Advertised
In The Mail.

ENTERTAINMENTS.

August 25.—Coronet Theatre;
Douglas Fairbanks in "The Mark
Of Zorro."
August 25.—Star Theatre;
2.30 p.m. "Buffalo Bill." 5.45 and
9.15 p.m. "The Fighting Guide,"
and "Dewdrop Inn."
August 25.—World Theatre;
at 5.15 p.m., Bessie Barriscale in
"Life's Twist"; at 9.15 p.m.,
"Atlantide."

SPORTS.

August 25.—V.R.C. Night Swim-
ming fête, 9 p.m.
August 31 to September 1.—
L.R.C. Annual Aquatic Sports at
V.R.C.

SOCIAL.

September 1.—Promenade Con-
cert at Hongkong Volunteer Head-
quarters 9.15 p.m.
September 1.—Dinner Dansant
at Repulse Bay Hotel.

AUCTIONS.

August 27.—Lammert Bros., at
their Sales Rooms a quantity of
miscellaneous goods at 11 a.m.

August 29.—Lammert Bros., at
No. 51 Godown, H. K. Kowloon
Wharf Godown Company Ltd.,
128 bales Indian tobacco leaf 10.45
a.m.

MEETING.

December 12.—Meeting of Un-
secured Creditors of the Hong-
kong Branch of the Banque
Industrielle de Chine, at the City
Hall, 3 p.m.

SERVICE.

August 31.—St. John's Cathedral
Memorial Service at 5.30 p.m., in
memory of the victims in the
recent typhoon.

THE CHOIR CELESTIAL.

If all of Ash's Thunder Gods
And fulminating devils,
Were fighting over a game of odds—
Carousing sordid revels:

Unequal would their strident sound
Be to a Chinese song;
Sung with sepulchral voices drowned
By cymbal drum and gong!

JOHN KYOTO.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The Philharmonic Society
needs the services of an efficient
pianist (c) and players of string
and wind instruments.

The houses on the Peak are to
be renumbered, as from January 1,
1924, in accordance with a schedule
published in the current issue of
the Government Gazette.

A reminder is given of the
Open-air concert to be given at
Volunteer Headquarters on Satur-
day next at 9.15. Band of the
King's Regiment and Vocalists.

Tenders are called in the
Government Gazette for a 4 years'
lease of railway lands at Tsui Sha
Tsui for a motor garage and for the
construction of a market at Quarry
Bay.

Readers are reminded of the
fête to-night at the V.R.C. swim-
ming pool, for which an attractive
programme has been arranged.
The first event is scheduled to start
at 9 p.m. A band will be in attend-
ance and dancing will follow the
aquatic events.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Mr. Jones of Messrs. S. Moutrie
Co., Ltd. is leaving for Japan on a
health trip.

Lieutenant-Commander C. M.
Campbell, who is to join the "Haw-
kins," flagship of the China Station,
about the beginning of September,
was lately temporarily attached to
the Intelligence Division.

Rear-Admiral William Robert
Clutterbuck, who died on July 22,
commanded the light cruiser Caro-
line in China in 1899-93. He retired
as a captain in January, 1895,
and was advanced to rear-admiral
retired, in 1900.

It was a characteristic idea of the
Prince of Wales to pay a friendly
visit to Mr. Thomas Hardy, says a
Home paper. It has won him some
more hearts—not only in "Wessex,"
which is very proud of its great
man, but throughout the world-wide
literary kingdom in which Mr.
Hardy still reigns, Victorian though
he may be.

AS YOU LIKE IT.

WEEK-END SHREDS AND
PATCHES.

According to
SMARTNESS. Billy Sunday the
Revivalist—"The
brink of the grave is strewn with
the wooden heels of dancing girls
and slippers, the gilded corks of cham-
pagne bottles, and the butt ends of
expensive cigarettes." For Smart-
ness an American would jeopardise
his immortal soul so a Chicago
paper added:—"Oh, Death, where
is thy sting; oh, Grave, where is
thy Victory!"

Two Last night befell
EPIGRAMS. the drollest hap-
pening
I had besought
That his best friend and bitterest
foe he'd bring.
His dog and wife were what he
brought.

A Scotchman spent a saxepe in a
dream:
And, horror-struck, so real did it
seem,
Straight hanged himself upon the
nearest beam.

That was a
LITERARY harrowing account
CASUALTY. of a local
petitioner, who described the
predicament of a number of
Peakies who had to crawl on their
stomachs to safety and shelter.
How is it done? It reminds us of
Sydney Smith who when advised
by a physician to "take a walk
upon an empty stomach" quietly
asked "Whose?"

On the Dominions of
BITING. King George V. the sun
never sets.

But in England you cannot buy
an ice or a chocolate in a theatre
after 9.30.

His Majesty's morning drum
beats round the world, but you are
beaten yourself if you ask for an ice
or a chocolate in a theatre after 9.30.
When the foot of a slave touches
the soil of Britain he is free. But he
is not free to buy an ice or a choco-
late in a theatre after 9.30.

"Be England what she will,
With all her faults she is my
country still."

But I cannot buy an ice or a choco-
late in a theatre after 9.30.

England expects every man to do
his duty. But England expects no
man to require an ice or a chocolate
in a theatre after 9.30.

"For this is England's greatest
son,
He that gain'd a hundred fights,
And never lost an English gun."
But England's greatest son would
not be able to-day to buy an ice or
a chocolate in a theatre after 9.30.

"Tis a glorious charter, deny it
who can.
The island home of an English-
man."

But in that home the English-
man cannot buy an ice or a
chocolate in a theatre after 9.30.

"Breathes there the man with
soul so dead
Who never to himself hath said
This is my own, my native land?"
But however often he says it to
himself or to the attendant, he
cannot buy an ice or a chocolate
in a theatre after 9.30.

"We must be free or die who
spoke the tongue
That Shakespeare spoke."
But when you listen in the
theatre to the tongue that Shake-
speare spoke you are not free to
buy an ice or a chocolate after 9.30.

"Be thou chaste as ice, as pure as
snow, thou shalt not escape calumny."
And be thou as chaste as ice,
thou canst not buy one in the
theatre after 9.30.

Mr. Paddy: "If that
young man's coming
to see you every day
in the week, you had better give
him a hint to come after supper."

Miss Paddy: "I don't think it
is necessary, Pa. That's what he
comes after."

Here are two ori-
ginals secured from
American sources.
Don't be shocked at the word
"dam" which is the American
equivalent for "very."
Here lies Bill Spruce.

R. I. P.
He done his dam best,
Angels couldn't do no more.

Beneath this stone, a lump of clay,
Lies William Henry Daniels,
Who on the very first of May
Took off his winter fannels.

(Continuing our research.
We find that Beds are of
two general kinds, the
domestic ones are the kind that
are slept in; the wild ones are the
kind that are crept under. The
wild ones are not substantial
enough in the first place to with-
stand a prolonged siege of snoring
and you can't turn over in them
without running nineteen yards of
imitation lace and perhaps strang-
ling to death in baby linen. A
few years ago the folding variety
of bed was very popular. It was
treacherous which probably ex-
plains why it is not as popular as it
once was. No one ever went to
sleep in a folding bed without
saying his prayers, whether he was
accustomed to them or not. You
never knew whether you would
wake up intact or in eternity.

Some of these beds folded once,
and some folded twice. Once was
enough.
(To be Continued.)

Much larger hand-
kerchiefs for ladies
are coming into
fashion. "I see no reason," said a
London fashion expert recently,
"why a girl should not wear a
couple of them as blouses, and
skirt, and be dressed, so to speak
for a guinea." "Dressed?" Per-
haps "So to speak?" Much more
likely.

A correspondent proffers
"p" a formidable list—much
too formidable for repro-
duction—which he has industriously
compiled to demonstrate the title
of the letter "P" to rank as the
most important in the alphabet.
With (presumably) the dictionary
before him, he explains that "this
is not a paragraph of pyrotechnic
puzzles, but a presumed proof of
the popularity of P as a primal let-
ter." Premiers, Parliaments and
politicians, pastors and pagans,
popes, priests and priors, physi-
cians and patients, physiologists,
pathologists and pharmacists,
poets, pamphleteers, pressmen
and printers, policemen and pri-
soners, parents and progeny, pal-
mists, phrenologists and psycholo-
gists, princes and the populace,
peasants and other primary pro-
ducers, prodigies and other pests,
all find place in the list. But,
with all his patient industry, my
painstaking friend has overlooked
the plutocratic profiteers.

Baron Laty-
mer, of 15,
Hanover-
square, W., a
"partner" in Coutts & Co.,
bankers, author of numerous
poems and other works, and one
of the founders of the Girls'
Friendly Society, left to Nurse
Mary Granger, "to whom I am
under a deep debt of gratitude,"
the use of his town flat and
effects there for life and a life
annuity of £1,000; amounts
necessary to bring the total
fortune of each of his four
daughters to £40,000; and the
residue, after certain other
bequests, to his son the present
Lord Latymer. £1,038,972

Mr. Aubyn Bernard Rochford,
Trevor-Batye, of Petersfield,
Hampshire, explorer and
ornithologist, author of several
works on travel and birds,
stated that as he had no sons he
had thought of leaving his guns
and fishing rods to some male
relative, but his daughters
"after all may have sons and
these will shoot and fish, I
hope." He therefore left these
articles to his daughters saying,
"The salmon rod is a beauty
and the trout rod one
never likely to be improved
upon." £4,340.

Mr. James Hunter, of 177,
Whitechapel-road, E. (The
Salvation Army Working Men's
Hostel), left a Victory Bond to
Col. Goddard, superintendent of
the Whitechapel Mental Hospital
(where the testator was a patient
when it was a military hospital),
and all his other property to
Sister Beatrice Maud Screech,
who was sister in charge of F5
Ward in that hospital, thanking
her for the kind treatment
received in the place, where he
"spent the happiest years of his
life." £59

Dear Sir—I respect-
fully send you herewith my letter as I am
accordingly to ask you to be so
kind please let me have some
certificate but our work is very
difficult in Local office.

I am exceedingly surprised at
having received any communication
whatever from you by either
post I am glad to find you let me
have your writing per Certificate
as I am going to another office to
find some work to do but I don't
like to do it. Office again
for every persons has not to me.
May I be bold to require you that I
am very sorry to asking you to let
me have your certificate and I am
in your employ for a few month.

I thought of you will kind enough
to look at me what I have working
is local office at last I have another
boy to help me to do and than I am
working with myself, and also the
work price \$20—only.

Please excuse me attending my
home for a few day but I am in your
office for a few month and I did not
bear to leave you for you are going
to Hongkong not long ago. I trust
that you will be gave your writing
Certificate to me as soon as you can
I am very happy to wait on you if
you are willing to engage me. An
answer is waited by I am,

Yours obedient servant.
(Sd.) YONG ARTHUR KOW.

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LUCKY WINNER.

PROGRAMME WORTH FIVE
DOLLARS.

If the holder of the Theatre pro-
gramme mentioned below will
forward it to the China Mail Office
a coupon value \$5 will be issued
entitling the holder to obtain goods
of an equivalent value at any of the
Advertisers in the China Mail.

Coronet Theatre programme
No. 1001 issued Saturday August
18 to Friday August 24.

Patrons of the three Theatres,
The Coronet, The Star and The
World are advised to retain their
programmes.

"MARK OF ZORRO."

"DOUG" AT HIS VERY BEST.

Certainly if any man ever had a
name to conjure with that man is
Douglas Fairbanks. He charms
the ladies; captivates the men. He
simply entrances the children.
Doug, in the idiom of the day, is the
goods. Dashing, daring, debonair,
he never fails to gladden his ad-
mirer. Who does not remember
his every exploit in "The Three
Musketeers," his every mis-
chievous escapade as the irrepre-
sible d'Artagnan? And who does
not therefore look forward to see-
ing him in his very latest triumph,
"The Mark of Zorro," which comes
to the Coronet Theatre to-day?
Superfluous the producer's assur-
ances that "The Mark of Zorro" is
more exciting than "The Three
Musketeers"; superfluous the pro-
mises that this new picture offers
romance, human interest, suspense
and comedy; superfluous even this
paragraph—Doug's name is
enough!

ARMS EVIL.

OUR LITERARY LOBBY

LOCAL GOSSIP FOR BOOKY PEOPLE.

To those who are interested, the annual meeting of the Hongkong Book Club is to be held on Monday, September 3rd, at 5.30 p.m., in the Sanitary Dept.'s Board Room on the third floor of Post Office Buildings. Dr. W. Pearce will preside. The Report and statement of accounts will be presented, officers and committee elected and business interesting to the welfare of the Club will be discussed. This is perhaps the only opportunity in the year when members have a chance of seeing each other face to face. The Club is now in its stride. Our possessions include the last copy of *The New Witness*, a journal which will ever be remembered by the members of the Chesterton Brothers, and *Illusions* by Mrs. Cecil Chesterton who, when her husband was killed in the war, gallantly took on the reins of editing it. It is beyond the wisdom of a mere lover of books and good writing, to say nothing of clear thinking, why *The New Witness* should have been allowed to go to the wall. Some of G.K.'s best work has been done for the paper, and we imagined that that alone would have brought thousands of readers to say nothing of *Illusions*. We can only live in hope. Little seeds into great oaks grow and we can only hope that *The New Witness* is not dead, it but sleeping.

We share Chesterton's love at the title of the paper which Phoenix-like is to rise out of the ashes of the old. It is to be called *G. K. C.'s Weekly* so far it has not appeared. There may be some difficulty in raising the £10,000 capital required, which will not make the *Review*, and the *Marconis*. Hall Caine, we read, is writing a line of Jesus Christ. Not because Pappin the Italian has done it. Caine has had the idea for years. This painting of the life leaves us cold. The life in one of the greatest thought but little real books in the world—the Bible, in the simplest and best of language, and at the cheapest possible cost. The only good we think these written lives can do is to turn readers to the Bible account.

We have the same horror about modern versions of the Bible; the attempt to put the Bible in the plain language of plain people. Surely a work of supererogation. We have had the opportunity this week of skipping through John Russell's *In Dark Places* and of course comparing it with his more famous *Illegals* and *The Parliament Ends*. It is used to compare a present with a past work, in the detriment of the latest, as has been done in this case. We fear we must join the majority, much as we detest doing so. All the same the book contains pages of great imagery, superb settings in perhaps the most romantic of places dear to the heart of novel-writers and readers—the mysterious isles of the Pacific, and situations that grip the mind and the imagination. The book can certainly be recommended. In reviewing *Isles of Illusion*, J. C. Squire mentions the line which books about the South Seas have on him. Kanakas, Tahitians, dusky maidens, palms, lagoons, sharks, and the flotsam that seem to congregate on far-off isles, all have their attractions. See them but for a brief moment, as we have been enabled to do, and thoughts race each other round the mind like a typhoon wind outside.

The Prince of Wales has had lunch with Thomas Hardy at the latter's residence in Dorchester. The Prince was the only guest. The lunch was of the simplest description. When invited, the Prince said: "This indeed, is a great honour." Not only happy Prince, but fortunate Prince! The actual Old Curiosity Shop was to have been sold at auction on July 31st last. The very Dickens of course. Katherine Mansfield's *The Doves' Nest* is now being reviewed—favourably. Here is a bit of delightful self-revelation which makes us understand why her work is so amazingly superior to that of authors with more experience and more range than she had.

When I have finished a story and before I have begun another, I catch myself preening my feathers. It is disheartening. There seems to be some bad old pride in my heart; a root of it that puts out a thick shoot on the slightest provocation. This interferes very much with work. One can't be calm, clear, good as one must be while it goes on. I look at the mountains, I try to pray—and I think of something clever. *The Life and Letters of Sir John Moore* is one of the books of the season, he of the famous "Not a drum was heard, etc." Macmillan's are issuing *The English Literature Series* which are worth noting. These little volumes can be slipped into the pocket and no worth having. The authors include Addison, Austen, Borrow, Browning, Byron, Cervantes, Carlyle, and a host of others. Price 1/6 a copy.

—PICKWICK.

THOSE SHIPS.

"GOVERNMENT PIRACY AT HONGKONG"

Under the second-heading the issue of *Truth* received by the last mail from Home has the following comment, obviously partisan because it was made before the Colonial Secretary's complete vindication of the Hongkong Government was published.

"The last mail from China brought me particulars of the winding-up of a shipping company, in the course of which allegations were made which, if true, are so discreditable to the Hongkong Government that I hope for the sake of British reputation for fair dealing that some reasonable explanation will be forthcoming of the transactions referred to. The company was Moller and Co. (Shanghai) Limited. In 1918 the firm had nine steamers. When the manager question became acute five of them were either sent or taken home to make good the shortage. Four of them were lost at a heavy cost to the owners. The owners made no complaint of these losses. They were gladly incurred for the Allied cause.

Of the remainder of the fleet the Hongkong Government commandeered three ships at the Government rate of charter and sub-let them to ordinary China coast chartermen for purposes entirely unconnected with the war at enormous rates of profit, only handing them back to the owners when the slump in freights made shipping unprofitable. Being advised that this profiteering was illegal, Moller and Co. commenced an action in the Hongkong Courts against the Hongkong Government for the return to them of the profits earned by their ships. At the meeting of the shareholders Mr. Eric Moller stated that upon this action being taken the Colonial Secretary approached the owners through the Shipowners' Protection Association, requesting them to stay the proceedings for such a period as would allow him to communicate with the Home Government with a view to an amicable settlement. They agreed to the request.

Meanwhile an Indemnity Bill was prepared and rushed through by the Hongkong Legislature which debared the owners from obtaining redress in the Courts, while to add insult to injury, the Government proceeded to expend its whiffal in building houses for its officials, improving the roads, and endowing schools. If the facts are as stated, a more iniquitous abuse of power was never perpetrated, and the exposure, coming just at the time when we are telling the Chinese to set their house in order, may well provoke sneers at British hypocrisy. I can only hope that the matter will be threshed out in our own Parliament, and that either the statements will be disproved or responsibility be brought home to those responsible, and proper reparation be made to the injured parties."

BASEBALL LEAGUE

AMERICANS VS. JAPANESE.

If the weather remains fine the American Baseball Nine will meet the Japanese on the Happy Valley diamond at 5 o'clock this evening in the Hongkong Baseball League. Tomorrow the Portuguese and Chinese are expected to meet, but possibly the latter may play off their postponed match with the Japanese. The grand stand, which has been blown down three times in the last month, will not be erected again this season, but its absence should not prevent keen "fans" from attending the league matches.

MACAO LOTTERY.

LUCKY NUMBERS.

The following numbers drew prizes in the drawing held on the 23rd instant:

10140	\$15,000.
10602	2,500.
4150	1,500.
9754	1,000.

TYPHOON'S ONSLAUGHT.



Photo by Mr. W. R. Barr.

Big tree uprooted in Kowloon.

A SUN SUCCESS.

YUNNAN TROOPS DISARMED.

TRANSPORTATION TROUBLES.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Kongmoon, August 23.

Apprehending a coup similar to those brought off at Shek Ki and Shun Tak by the Yunnanese troops, Chan Chak, who is Sun's henchman and commander of the River Defence Flotilla with headquarters at Kongmoon, despatched a section of the 1st Division which succeeded in disarming about 200 Yunnan troops under Yeung Pak-ri at Kongmoon. Intermittent firing was heard from five till seven this morning. Casualties are not known at present but shops are closed, business is temporarily suspended and the only people to be seen in the streets are Chan's subordinates. No further trouble is expected at the moment and the situation is easier.

The batch of troops under Ju Cheuk-man, who recently fled here from Shek Ki have disappeared. It is stated that they are to attempt to re-instate themselves there with aid from Chan Chak and Chow Chieh-ching, the latter having regained Shun Tak.

Cargo boats here are going on strike for higher rates and difficulty has been met with in transportation.

TYPHOON DAMAGE.

REPLACING LOSSES AT SALE PRICES.

What house in the Colony escaped the typhoon's fury? What house weathered last Saturday's terrific onslaught without suffering some damage? Everybody knows the answer; especially those whose lot it is to sell the multitude of goods which the household needs. Ever since Monday they have been busy supplying Hongkong folk with new articles to replace those damaged or destroyed in the big typhoon. With their great summer sale in full swing, Messrs. Whiteaway, Laidlaw and Co., Ltd., have been more than usually busy. Even without the heavy extra demand created by the typhoon, their sale is a notable event in the Colony's shopping world. From the big display advertisement in this issue it will be seen that shoppers have only five more days in which to replace their typhoon losses at sale prices. It remains to be added that these prices are very tempting, being half, third, and even quarter the usual rates. As Messrs. Whiteaway and Laidlaw say, lower prices are impossible.

At the recent Olympic Games in Cyprus, the cycle event was a 14-mile race, and the first past the post was a rider on an all-steel Raleigh, the machine which is as popular in Cyprus as at home.

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Care must be taken on the section between TIN KAU and TSING LUNG TAU where the wash out occurred, as only one car at a time can pass over this section.

E. D. C. WOLFE,
Captain Superintendent of Police.
Hongkong, August 25, 1923.

NOTICE.

THE HONGKONG PHILHARMONIC SOCIETY requires the honorary services of an efficient Pianist or Pianiste. Must be good reader. Apply in writing as early as possible to T. P. M. BEVAN, c/o Asiatic Petroleum Co., (S.C.) Ltd., Hongkong, August 25, 1923.

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THERE are vacancies in the Hongkong Philharmonic Society's Orchestra for players of String and Wind Instruments. Applications stating name of instrument, should be sent to T. P. M. BEVAN, c/o Asiatic Petroleum Co., (S.C.) Ltd., as early as possible.
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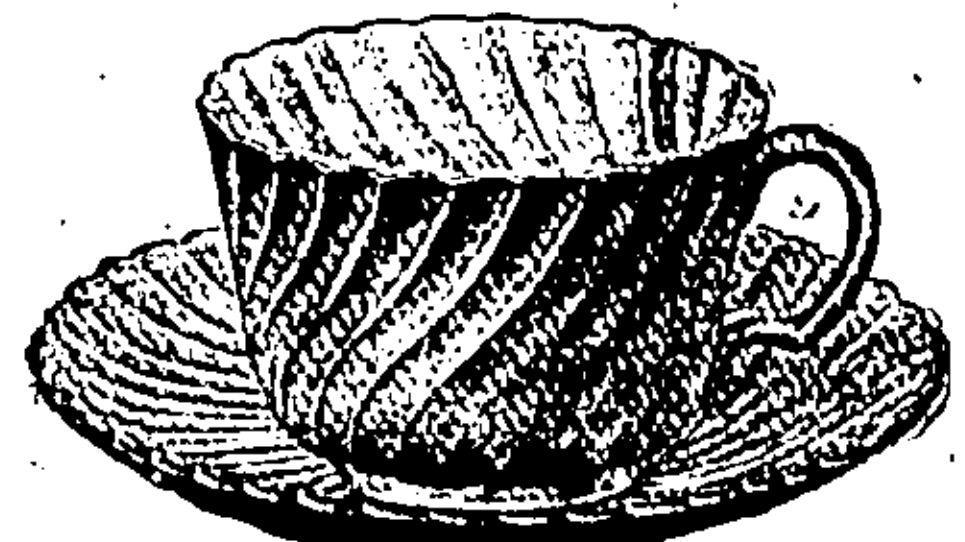
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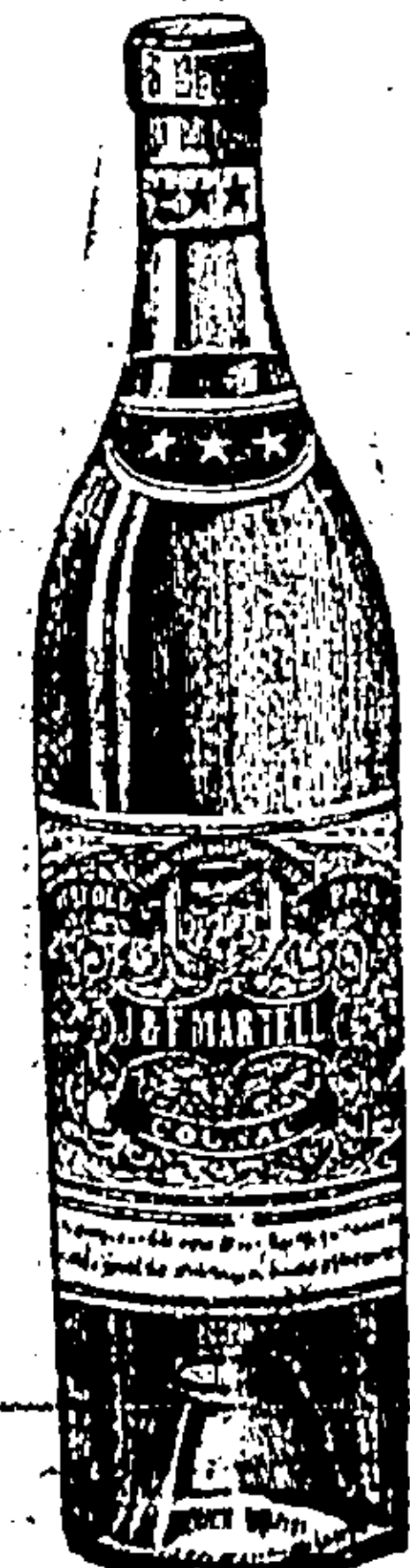
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FILMS

PROGRAMME FEATURES.

TO-NIGHT.

Coronet.—Douglas Fairbanks in
the "Mark of Zorro."
World.—5.15 p.m. Bessie Barris-
cade in "Life's Twist";
9.15 p.m. "Atlantide."
Star, Kowloon.—5.15 p.m. "The
Fighting Guide" and
Dewdrop Inn"; 2.30
p.m. first three parts of
"Buffalo Bill."

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LATEST SUCCESS AT THE
CORONET.

Zorro, prince of swordsmen,
finest of horsemen: Zorro, the
masked rider, with a reward of ten
thousand dollars upon his head, who
rides the hills avenging the wrongs
of the oppressed: Zorro, most extra-
vagant of lovers, who risks his all
for the sake of the girl he loves.

A part like this is made to order
for Douglas Fairbanks, who is due
at the Coronet to-day in his latest
screen triumph, "The Mark of
Zorro." The period is that of a
Mexican Californian about one hun-
dred years ago, and the film star's
role is that of a young man, who,
returning from school in Spain,
finds the country groaning under
the tyranny of the Governor and
his aids.

Determined to right the wrongs
of the poor and the priests, and find-
ing it useless to appeal to the better
nature of the aristocrats, he takes
the law into his own hands. By
day he continues to be Don Diego
Vega, an insipid, idle waster; but
by night he is the adventurer attack-
ing the unjust officials, and leaving
upon them, after every fight, the
mysterious "Mark of Zorro."

He rescues his girl and her family
from a traitor's fate; and he escapes
from the Governor's troops after a
tremendous chase. Finally, after a
thrilling duel, his identity is estab-
lished.

Fairbanks is his usual smiling self
throughout, and his acting is quite
a revelation. Needless to add, he is

CLOSE UPS.

Eye troubles are becoming very
prevalent among American film
stars. Certainly very few of the
married ones seem able to see eye
to eye.

When the cinema was shown to
the people of the Island of St.
Kilda, they looked after ten
minutes. And yet a newspaper re-
marks that they are very ignorant
people on the Island.

The following gem of a cine-
matograph advertisement—discovered
by Mr. Richard C. Clark in Ran-
goun and reproduced in his latest
book, "Into the East"—is rather
pathetic evidence of the Eastward
march of Western sensationalism:
"A Bride-Buying Brute, a Beauti-
ful Sleep-Walking Bride, the Other
Woman, a True-to-Death Lover, a
Faithful Maid with Tiger-like Love
for her Darling Mistress, a cheques-
raising Step-mother, are woven into
a Most Bewitching Romance of
Sensational Happenings of Mysteri-
ous Murder of the Multi-Millionaire
—Mr. Woodruffe Clay." M. Pierre
Lati would have shed tears over it!

ROMANCE OF ICE.

Ice does not suggest a romantic
theme, yet there is much of adventu-
re connected with the industry
which obtains it for our use. Fox's
have filmed "The Story of Ice,"
which will be released this month.
In the United States alone the
rivers and lakes give an annual
yield of 25,000,000 tons. The pic-
ture shows the surface snows being
cleared by means of tractor ploughs,
the marking of vast fields prepar-
atory to cutting, and the gigantic
icebergs which are floating menaces
to our ships.

as surprisingly athletic and active as
ever—in fact, his stunts in this
film put all others in the shade.

"The Mark of Zorro" is un-
doubtedly a high class production,
which will appeal to all classes.

FILM TOPICS.

DRAMA AND ADVENTURE.

Supplementing its already splendid
array of story material, First Na-
tional has purchased four more
works that have proved their
popularity with the reading public.
All four are considered well adapted
to screen presentation. They are:
"The Sea Hawk," by Rafael Sabat-
ini, "Hope," by Holworthy Hall,
"The Moving Finger," by Eliza-
beth Jones Folsom, and "Pearls
Before Cecily," by Charles Brackett.
"The Sea Hawk" is a sea yarn.
A few weeks later it was brought
out in book form by Houghton,
Mifflin, & Co., and immediately
became a best seller. The
story is laid in the time of Queen
Elizabeth, and concerns the adventures
of the gallant Sir Oliver Trevisan,
one time commander of the
fleet which dispersed the Spanish
Armada.

A NOVEL TALE.

"Rope," after publication as a
serial, came out in novel form last
autumn, and scored a success on
account of the unusual character of
the story as well as the author's
treatment. It is a comedy-drama,
and concerns a gilded society youth
who commits a crowning indiscre-
tion by marrying a flapper, regard-
less of the fact that, save for an
allowance from his uncle, he is
unable to support her. This same
uncle dies, leaving him a motion
picture theatre, with the provision
that unless he shows a profit of
10,000 dollars in a year his entire
fortune shall go to a maiden aunt,
who is the embodiment of Puritan-
ical prejudices.

"The Moving Finger" marks the
last word in smart society drama,
with a triangle situation as the basis
of the action. The plot, says the
Cinema, is unusual in its develop-
ment, and provides good picture
opportunities.

"Pearls Before Cecily" will be
classified as a comedy-drama. A
wealthy mother tries to dissuade her
daughter from marrying a poor boy
with whom she had fallen in love.

"OLE BILL OF PARIS."

The work of two famous authors
—one French and the other British
—will shortly be seen on the screen
in Granger's new film, "Ole Bill of
Paris."

This combination is particularly
interesting when one considers that

"Ole Bill of Paris," adapted from
Anatole France's epic of French
coaster life, entitled "Crainque-
bille," will be shown with Cockney
titles, especially written by W. Pett
Ridge.

The author of "M. Bergeret's
Paris," "Clio," "Le Mannequin
d'Osier," and "Crainquebille," who
is to visit England very shortly for
the second time, is surely a master
of character portrayal. His deli-
cious satire and his quaint, whin-
sical humour is wonderfully con-
veyed on the screen by Maurice de
Fermoy (of the Comedie Francaise)
in the character role of Crainque-
bille.

Everyone has read Pett Ridge.
His "Three Women and Mr. Frank
Cardwell," "Mend Emily," "A Son
of the State," and "Telling Stories"
are known in many places in addi-
tion to those in which Cockney is
spoken. We learn that Pett
Ridge's titles are "a scream," and
that it is surprising how wonder-
fully his Cockney sayings fit the
coaster of Montmartre.

It is interesting to read the fact
that Arthur Boucher presented in
London some years ago a stage ver-
sion of "Crainquebille," under the
title of "Down our Alley."

"THE HYPOCRITES."

On July 16 the interesting Gran-
ger-Binger production, "The Hypo-
crites," was released.

The story concerns the lord of the
manor of Wexbury, who had always
looked keenly after the morality of
the town of which he was almost
dictator. Bumptious, obstinate,
and narrow-minded, he held that
any lapse from strict propriety
should be severely punished. What
did this self-same man do when he
found shame in his own household?
This is the absorbing story told in
the film version of Henry Arthur
Jones's famous play, which was a
great success both in England and
America. Wyndham Standing
(who will be remembered for his
performance in "Earthbound" and
"Smilin' Through") is the featured
player, and he is supported by an
all-star cast of British artists, in-
cluding Mary Odette, Harold
French, Lillian Douglas, Sydney
Pastor, Gertrude Skerrall, Roy
Travers, and Bertie White.

The photoplay was produced by
Charles Giblin from a scenario by
Elmer Stannard.

OWEN NARES'S NEW PART.

For "Young Lochinvar," the
Stoll picture production Will Kellino

A NEW RODOLPH
VALENTINO.

It is said that another Rodolph
Valentino has been discovered in
Norman Kerry, who has just finish-
ed the leading-man part as Count
Hoheneggin in the Universal pic-
ture, "Merry-Go-Round," a play
dealing with the gay life of Vienna
before the war. Universal predic-
s this production as the biggest screen
event since "Foolish Wives,"
which, in fact, it is expected to
outclass in scenic beauty and artistic
production. Once famous people
live again in their pre-war glitter on
the screen, not the least being Em-
peror Franz Joseph, who has been
realistically personated by a former
member of the Imperial Staff at the
old Viennese Court. Interest is
added by the inclusion of Maud
George and Dale Fuller, who played
the parts of the "crooked" cousin
and the Russian servant maid respec-
tively in "Foolish Wives."

"Merry-Go-Round" was com-
menced in August last year, and
gave employment to thousands of
people, not including stars and
directors. An ambitious effort was
the building of a replica of the
Prater, the famous Viennese plea-
sure park, with surrounding build-
ings, which many travellers in
Austria before the war allege to
have been the gayest centre in
Europe, not even excluding Monte
Carlo.

Norman Kerry, as the Viennese
dandy, had the uncomfortable expe-
rience of wearing for three whole
weeks a "Schnurrbartbinde," an
arrangement for tying up the
moustache so that the ends stand
up in truly "cultured" style!

is now hard at work upon, an ex-
perienced cast has been engaged.
Having thrown off the gorgeous
gowns worn by him as Prince
Zahradin in "The Indian Love
Lyties," Owen Nares has donned
the garb of a young Scottish chief,
to play the title-role in this new
film.

Other members of the company
are Gladys Jennings, the heroine of
"Rob Roy," Dick Webb, Dorothy
Harris, Charles Barrett, Cecil Mor-
ton Yorke, Nelson Ramsey, Annie
Esmond, Lionel Brahm, and
Bertie Wright.



Pearl Shepard.

Pearl Shepard, a moving picture actress, in private life Pearl
Ginsberg, daughter of a furrier, has sailed for Europe. In Egypt she
will become the bride of Prince Mohammed Ali Ibrahim, descendant
of the Pharaohs, who declares he will forfeit his rights to the Egyptian
throne if necessary. The Prince, who has been in America for several
months, was seen often in Hollywood with Mabel Normand, the
film actress.

A SCOTTISH FILM.

Denison Clift, the brilliant young
American producer, has been in
Scotland in connection with the
filming of his new production, for
Ideal, "Mary, Queen of Scots."
Scenes were taken at Holyrood
Palace and Edinburgh Castle, and
Mr. Clift had his eye on the Royal
Mile, a section of which he intends
to erect, probably in cardboard, at
headquarters.

The Company journeyed to Stirl-
ling, where the fighting scenes were
taken. Major Scott, of Stirling
Castle, who was of such valuable

assistance to the Gaumont people in
their "Rob Roy," again lent a hand
with his men. Several hundreds
took part.

The cast of 24 principals is head-
ed by Fay Compton, and a glimpse
I had of her make-up was very
striking. Her sister Ellen is taking
part of Queen Elizabeth in the pic-
ture, and the rôle of Bathwell is
filled by Gerald Ames.

The young Edinburgh actor, John
Stuart, is junior male lead, portray-
ing George Douglas. Mr. Stuart's
most recent successes have been in
"This Freedom," also a Clift pro-
duction, and "Little Miss Nobody."

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AFTER THE WEDDING.

UNPAID WINE ACCOUNT.

LOCAL FIRM'S CLAIM.

The liquor provided for the refreshment of the guests at the wedding of a certain Captain Campbell in 1920, at which Dr. Johnson, the P.C.M.O., was best man, was the subject of an action heard in the Summary Court yesterday afternoon.

The plaintiffs were Messrs. Donnelly and Whyte, the wine and spirit merchants, and the defendant Mr. L. E. S. Hodge, late managing director of Hastings, Hodge & Co., and now of the Colonial Commercial Company. The claim was for the sum of \$253.55, being amount due for goods sold and delivered.

The plaintiffs' case, according to the outline of it given by Mr. F. G. Vaux, of Messrs. Wilkinson and Griest, was that the defendant, who was then in the firm of Hastings, Hodge & Co., was a friend of Capt. Campbell and took upon himself the arrangements for the supply of wine and liquor for the wedding. Mr. Hodge was unable from his own firm to supply what was required, and he approached Mr. Whyte, of the plaintiff firm, and requested him to undertake it. He mentioned that he was a friend of Capt. Campbell's and that he was entirely responsible for the wine and spirits. It was arranged that the goods should be sent to his address at Kingsclere, and part of them to another address for the benefit of certain guests who were unable to attend. Mr. Hodge asked Mr. Whyte not to charge too much and that the transaction be on the sale and delivery system, which meant that an allowance would be made for any spirits not consumed and returned.

In due course the wedding took place and the plaintiff firm received a debt, which would be produced for the liquor. The liquor was sent to Kingsclere, with an invoice. A certain amount was returned and allowance had been made in the plaintiff's books for this. Long after the wedding was over, enquiries were made as to payment. The defendant himself, on being approached, promised to pay, but did not do so.

Later Messrs. Donnelly & Whyte wrote to Dr. Johnson, who was the best man at the wedding, and a reply was received that the money had been paid to the defendant.

Mr. G. G. N. Tinson, of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master, who appeared for the defence interposed that Dr. Johnson's reply was that the money was sent to the firm, which was the whole point at issue. It was a question as to whether the defendant was personally liable or the firm of Hastings, Hodge & Co.

Mr. L. M. Whyte, of the plaintiff firm, said in his evidence that as the account remained unsettled, witness enquired of brother officers of Capt. Campbell about it. He told them that he understood Capt. Campbell had left the Colony and had not apparently paid for the wine and spirits which were supplied to Mr. Hodge for the wedding. He was informed that Mr. Hodge had been paid by Dr. Johnson, the P.C.M.O. The firm then wrote to Dr. Johnson, who replied that the money was paid. Mr. Hodge was then approached, but no reply was received to the letter. Witness' firm had had dealings with Hastings, Hodge & Co., but had never sold to them goods on sale and return.

In cross-examination Mr. Whyte denied that Hastings, Hodge & Co. entered into the deal in any way whatever, or that Hodge had promised to pay the account on behalf of his firm as soon as he was in funds. At the time Hastings, Hodge & Co. went into liquidation they owed nothing to Donnelly & Whyte.

Mr. Tinson: Were you aware that at the time Hastings, Hodge & Co. went into liquidation they could not pay a farthing in the pound?

Witness: I did not know. Mr. Tinson indicated that the defence solely rested on the fact that Mr. Hodge ordered these goods as managing director of Hastings, Hodge & Co., of which fact both Mr. Donnelly and Mr. Whyte were well aware, and that therefore the account was one which was due by that firm, or its liquidators, and not by Mr. Hodge personally. With regard to the alleged admission of the debt, Mr. Hodge would say in evidence that he did pay sundry small accounts of Hastings, Hodge & Co. out of his own pocket after the liquidation, and did offer to pay the one in question if the plaintiffs would send another account, and recognise Hastings, Hodge & Co. as the firm from which it was due.

As to the letter written by Dr. Johnson, Mr. Tinson said that this showed that Capt. Campbell and Dr. Johnson regarded Hastings, Hodge & Co. as their principals, because they paid the account to them. Dr. Johnson paid the money with his own cheque to Hastings, Hodge & Co., but that could not

CHINESE TELEGRAPHS.

DELAY EXPLAINED.

TROOPS AND TYPHOON.

Merchants in South China have voiced their disapproval for some time past regarding the telegraph service between Hongkong and Canton and Shanghai. Complaints have been voiced that the time occupied in transmitting telegrams to and from had been abnormal and that in some cases delay which was considered unwarranted had occurred. With a view to finding out what the trouble was a *China Mail* reporter, aided at the local office of the Chinese Telegraphs Administration, who are responsible for the land cables in Chinese territory.

The assistant superintendent admitted that there had been delay but consequences which were beyond the Hongkong office's control had rendered speeding up difficult. He said that the lines between Hongkong and Canton had been damaged by troops a few months ago. Efforts to enlist workers to repair the lines were of no avail as none would take the risk of venturing into "a hotbed of soldiers." After long negotiations volunteers repaired the line, the work being completed last Friday. The next day the typhoon came on and the lines were damaged again.

At present only one line is working, each station taking a turn at sending and receiving. Previously there were as many as three lines between each station making it possible to give a quick service. The local office wishes to announce to the public that it is not true that they do not care if the lines are working or not as their takings are reduced if the service is curtailed. They are now sending another batch of workers to effect the necessary repairs and are looking forward to having things fixed up soon. A number of complaints had been received from merchants but it was felt that as nothing definite could be assured at the time no replies were sent out.

The assistant superintendent handed over representative a letter from the Chamber of Commerce, which is self-explanatory:—
"For some considerable time past merchants at this port and on the Shanghai, Canton, have been seriously inconvenienced by reason of the unsatisfactory telegraph service between Hongkong and Canton and representations have been from time to time made to this Chamber on the subject.

It is understood that the Canton British Chamber of Commerce will be taking the matter up with the Chinese Chamber of Commerce at Canton and my Committee, in support of action by these two bodies, respectfully beg to submit the proposal that direct communication between this Colony and the Shanghai, which has been suspended for some considerable time, be as early as possible re-established.

My Committee would much appreciate whatever action you may consider necessary to bring about a restoration of a fast and reliable telegraph service with Shanghai."

Asked if there was any truth in a rumour that the friction which existed between the Hongkong office and Sun Yat-sen, who had control of the Canton and Shanghai branches, had prolonged the delay, the assistant superintendent said that this was not so as the Canton authorities wished to see things working smoothly for their own benefit and that nobody gained any advantage by having the service curtailed.

In the course of further conversation, it was mentioned that the line between Hongkong and Swatow had also been damaged by troops at Waichow but it was more difficult to get workers to repair this part as military operations were going on there daily.

SPORT.

KING'S SOCCER ENDS.

The association football match, on the Murray Parade Ground last evening, between No. 1 Group and No. 5 Platoon ended in a draw of one goal each after a very "wild and woolly" game in which science was conspicuous by its absence. In consequence of the game ending in a draw, No. 1 Group become the runners up in the League and the competition has come to an end.

The annual Battalion Cricket League commences on the Murray Parade Ground this afternoon. We understand the games will commence at 2.30 instead of 3.30 as previously announced.

As regards the defendant's position as regards Mr. Whyte. After the defendant had given evidence supporting his solicitor's statement the P.M. Judge (Mr. Justice (Gompertz)) gave judgment for the plaintiffs. An application made by Mr. Tinson that the execution of the judgment be postponed for seven days, was granted.

COUNTERFEIT.

ACCUSED COMMITTED FOR TRIAL AT SESSIONS.

Before Mr. C. D. Melbourne, at the Magistracy yesterday afternoon, Kung Ming was charged on remand on three counts viz.

(1) one with having 19 counterfeit coins resembling 20 cent pieces issued by the Kwangtung mint at Canton; (2) having a greater number than five counterfeit coins in his possession; and (3) with having coining dies in his possession.

When the case was first mentioned in the Court a week ago, the defendant stated that the coins were given to him as wages and that the dies were being taken from Kongmoon to Canton by him.

He was arrested on July 28, at 3.30 a.m. by an Indian Police Sergeant in Connaught Road Central. As he could give no satisfactory reason for being abroad at that hour of night the Indian searched him and found the coins in his pocket and the dies tied to his body underneath his trousers.

The police sent the coins to Mr. R. Dovey, the Government Analyst, to be reported upon. In the witness-box yesterday, Mr. Dovey said, on receipt of the coins he obtained two genuine 20 cent Kwangtung pieces from a money changer. He analysed the genuine coins and found they contained 70.7 per cent. of pure silver and 29.3 per cent. of copper. The suspected coins contained 60.8 per cent. of silver and 39.2 per cent. of copper. Photographs were taken of one of the suspected coins and of one of the dies and they registered exactly when superimposed. Amongst the coins submitted to him for examination by the police he found at least two varieties, distinguished by a slight mark. They must have been made by two different sets of dies.

Three of the suspected coins were also sent to Canton by Mr. Perdue, addressed to the Bureau of Public Safety. There they were handed over to an Analyst at the Government mint in Canton, who gave evidence yesterday. He gave his name as Mr. Jue Park and spoke in English. He said that one of the coins sent him was genuine and the other two were false. The genuine coin contained 70.15 per cent. of pure silver, the balance being alloy. The two false coins contained 60.00 per cent. of pure silver and 60.68 respectively. It was not possible for coins containing such a low percentage of silver to be issued from the Mint. The lowest percentage of silver issued by the mint in a 20 cent coin was 69.71.

After further formal evidence had been taken the defendant was committed for trial.

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As the million-candle search light
Obsolesces the old gas jet,
So our brilliance is extinguished
By the blaze of the Cadet.

Sanitation, Education,
Everything from A to Z
Of due, so 'tis written,
Our Cadet must be the head.

Why to such they are appointed
Is indeed no mystery;
For while we were being trained,
they Studied Greek and History.

While we sweated, toiled, and
moiled to
Learn our "Pidgin" through and
through,
At the "Varsity our young Cam—"
—Det was striving for his "Blue."

Lives of these Cadets remind us,
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—JUSSO.
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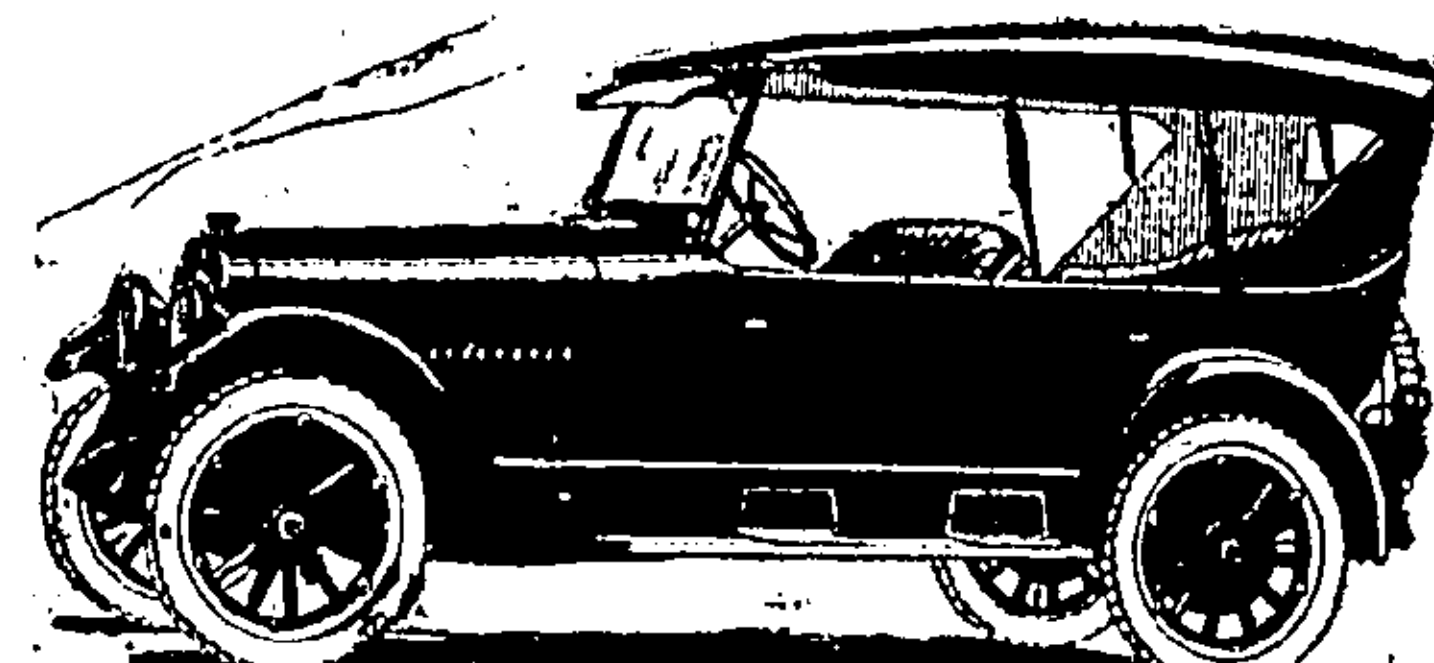
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SUN'S LAST HOPE?

MUKDEN MAY HELP.

CHANG STEPS WARILY.

Information has reached the *China Mail* from a dependable source that Dr. Sun Yat-sen is in the hopes of obtaining financial aid from the Mukden Warlord, Marshal Chang Tso-lin. For some days, a representative of the Manchurian ruler has been staying in a leading Canton hotel, and many conversations have taken place. At one time it appeared certain that Chang Tso-lin would advance the money urgently needed to purchase arms and ammunition, but about a week ago, it is said, the Mukden envoy cooled off somewhat. It is now stated that Chang Tso-lin is anxious to establish an arsenal in Canton, though this story appears unlikely under present circumstances, unless there is any ground for the rumour that Chang has decided to throw the weight of his financial and moral support behind Chan Chiung-ming as he considers that Dr. Sun is too much of an idealist to maintain order in Kwangtung; and therefore a "bad investment." If this version has any truth in it, one can easily realize Chang desiring to have a ready-made arsenal on the ground before coming out in the open.

LATEST SHIPPING NEWS.

ARRIVALS.

Po Tuang, (Chung Tung) from Kwong Chow Wan, Macao.
Pres. Jefferson, (Admiral Line) from Manila.
Fuchow, (B. & S.) from Swatow.
Kingdon, (Po Yan) from Hoihow.
—C17.

DEPARTURES.

Amherst, (On Fat) for Hoihow.
—August 25.
Yunnan, (B. & S.) for Hoihow.
—August 25.
Leesang, (J. M. & Co.) for Hoihow.
—August 25.
New Mathilde, (Yik Tai) for Hoihow.
—August 25.
Mohon, (Tung Tack) for Hoihow.
—August 25.

Some think Chang Tso-lin intends to give Sun Yat-sen a final chance. If he fails, Chang, with the arsenal at his back, would be in an unassailable position when dictating terms with Chan Chiung-ming. As reports from Canton continue to arrive, it becomes the more evident that Dr. Sun Yat-sen is in a very precarious position unless he can find financial backing within a few weeks—possibly days. Mr. Eugene Chen was here last Saturday, but telephoned to a European, with whom he had made an appointment, that he was too busy to meet him. Mr. Chen returned to Canton by Saturday night's boat without having "raised the wind," so the story goes.

ROXOR

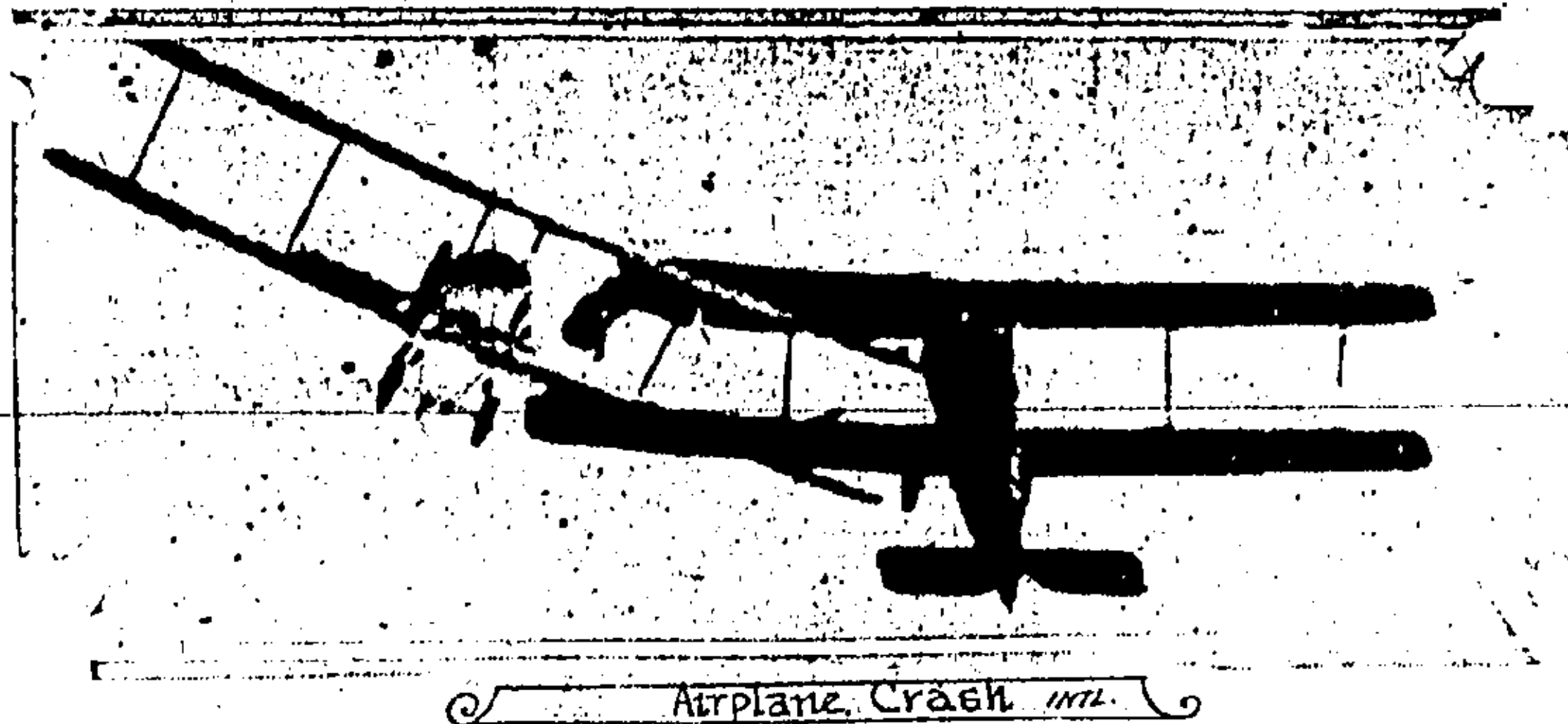


Crown Prince Gustav of Sweden has announced his engagement to Lady Louise Mountbatten, sister of Princess Andrew of Greece, and of Lord Luis Mountbatten, cousin of the Prince of Wales, who recently married Miss Edwina Ashley, richest girl in Great Britain. This will be Prince Gustav's second marriage, his first wife, Princess Margaret of Connaught, having died in 1920. Lady Louise is 34 and is a grand-niece of the late King Edward of England.



ABOVE: Ivan Smiloff and Col. Vukoff.

Ivan Smiloff was one of the leaders in the recent coup d'etat in Bulgaria and is now the newly elected Minister of Justice. Colonel Vukoff became Minister of War in the revolt.



Airplane Crash.

This is one of the most unusual photographs ever taken of the collision in mid-air of two aeroplanes. The picture, made near London, shows the wings of the machines interlocked. The aeroplanes fell several hundred feet, and the pilots were seriously injured.



Miss Anna Marie Bolchi Benjamin, foster daughter of the late Mrs. Enrico Caniso, has been married, in London, to Arthur L. Fullmar, New York attorney, who represented her foster father in all business dealings. Miss Bolchi was taken into the Benjamin home when she was 12 years old, and when Mr. Benjamin died, he left his millions to her, disinheriting his own children.



Forty-two years ago a little Welsh immigrant came out of the steerage of a ship from England and peered at New York Harbour. Penniless, he came ashore and got a job. To-day James J. Davis, the once penniless immigrant, now Secretary of Labour in President Harding's Cabinet, occupies the one-time suite of ex-Kaiser Wilhelm, on the S.S. "Leviathan," formerly the "Vaterland," on her maiden trip across the Atlantic as a passenger carrying liner under the American flag. He goes to study immigration methods.



Another well-known American amateur golfer.



These photographs, just received from the polar expedition of Roald Amundsen, the Norwegian explorer, shows him "mushing" one of his dog teams along the coastline of the Behring Sea, on his way to Wainwright. This photograph was taken 206 miles out of Nome, Alaska, near Candle, the northernmost point of civilization. In the other photograph he is shown with two half-breed daughters of a trapper, at Candle.



Dr. Walter D. Swift is conducting a free clinic for stutterers, using whistling as the base of the cure. He declares constant whistling will cure the affliction.



Here is the person to whom Ed. ("Strangler") Lewis, world's wrestling champion gives credit for winning the title. Mrs. Lewis, who works under her own name, Dr. Ada Scott Morton, is a well-known surgeon. It was her knowledge of anatomy that led her to tell Lewis how to use his deadly "headlock," which renders his victim helpless in the quickest possible time. Mrs. Lewis, or Dr. Morton, as she is better known, is shown giving her daily lessons to Bobada Morton, their adopted daughter.

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